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1. NEGOTIATIONS ON CHARTER HAVE LAPSED AT INSTANCE OF GROUP OF 77, WHICH HAS BEEN UNWILLING TO CONSIDER COM-PROMISING THE EXTREME PROVISIONS ON MOST OF THE KEY CON-TENTIOUS ARTS WHICH 99 STATES INTRODUCED IN UNGA SECOND COMITE RECENTLY. DESPITE EFFORTS OF WEOS AND MEMBERS OF OTHER GROUPS TO ARRANGE A POSTPONEMENT OF ACTION ON CERDS TO 1975, IT APPEARS THAT, AT MEXICO'S INSISTENCE, A VOTE ON THE CHARTER WILL TAKE PLACE IN SECOND COMITE A.M. DEC 6. IN THIS CIRCUMSTANCE, MANY WEOS, HAPPILY INCLUDING DENMARK, HAVE FORMALLY INTRODUCED AMENDMENTS TO G-77 DRAFT. THESE AMENDMENTS HAVE NO CHANCE OF ADOPTION.

2. WE ARE INCREASINGLY HOPEFUL THAT UK AND FRG WILL BE PREPARED TO JOIN USG IN VOTING NEGATIVELY ON CHARTER AS WHOLE. FOR REASONS EARLIER TRANSMITTED AND SUMMARIZED IN REFTEL (A), WE THINK IT MOST IMPORTANT THAT AS MANY WEOS AS POSSIBLE SO VOTE. WE ARE PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS THAT DENMARK JOIN IN VOTING NEGATIVELY ON CHARTER AS A WHOLE, FOR, IF DENMARK IS PREPARED TO DO SO, THAT FACT MAY

WELL INFLUENCE STATES SUCH AS CANADA (REFTEL B) TO VOTE NEGATIVELY. MOREOVER, A NEGATIVE DANISH VOTE WILL DEMONSTRATE THAT EVEN A SMALL, LIBERALLY-MINDED STATE CANNOT ACCEPT THE EXTREMIST PROPOSITIONS WHICH THE G-77 SEEK TO FORCE UPON US ALL, AND IT SHOULD HAVE A HELPFUL IMPACT ON OTHER NORDICS.

3. ACCORDINGLY, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR MAKING A FURTHER DEMARCHE ON LINES OF REFTEL (A) TO FONOFF SOONEST AT HIGHEST AVAILABLE LEVEL. KISSINGER

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